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FATAL COLLISION EAST ESCALANTE ROAD AND SOUTH CALEXICO AVENUE

On September 4, 2011 at approximately 9 a.m., officers from Operations Division South responded to the area of East Escalante Road and South Calexico Avenue for a reported collision involving a bicyclist. Officers determined that the bicyclist had been struck by a vehicle, which had left the scene immediately after the collision. Officers located the vehicle unoccupied nearby, then searched for and located the driver on foot in the area a short time later. The bicyclist was transported to a local trauma center where he later succumbed to his injuries. He has been identified as **56-year old Albert Eugene Brack**, of Tucson. Next of kin have been notified.

Detectives from the Traffic Investigations Unit responded to the scene to continue the investigation. Detectives collected roadway evidence and interviewed witnesses. Detectives have determined that Brack was riding eastbound on Escalante when he was struck from behind by a 2006 Ford F150 pickup truck, also traveling eastbound. Brack was riding in the bicycle lane when the truck veered across the fog line and into the bicycle lane. Brack was wearing a helmet.

The investigation is ongoing, and detectives are investigating the possibility that alcohol may have been a contributing factor in the collision.

The driver has been identified as 48-year old Edward Gomez Nava, of Tucson. Nava was arrested and charged with one count each of 2nd Degree Murder, Leaving the Scene of a Fatal Collision, and Criminal Damage, all felonies. He was booked into the Pima County Jail.

Fatalities year to date:

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